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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1

SUBJECT: Army Medical Department Reserve Components' 90-Day Rotation
Policy

The following 90-day "Boots-On-The-Ground" Rotation Policy for Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Reserve Components' (RC) Medical Corps, Dental Corps, and Nurse Anesthetist officers is effective the date of this memorandum.

Under the provisions of a Presidential Reserve Call-Up or a Partial Mobilization, RC physicians, dentists, and nurse anesthetists (AOCs 60, 61, 62, 63, and 66F) will deploy for a period not to exceed 90 days "Boots-on-the-Ground" in theater or at a CONUS duty station. Every effort will be made to expedite pre and post deployment processing such that the total duration of mobilization will not exceed 120 days. Officers in the key leadership positions of Commander, Deputy Commander for Clinical Services (or equivalent), Officer-in-Charge of a Forward Surgical Team, and those Command Surgeon positions at the Corps, Division and Brigade level (including Special Operations Command equivalent), are excluded from this policy and will remain for the duration of the mobilization. The Army will make every effort to manage AMEDD mobilization such that the period between mobilizations will be at least 18 months to the maximum extent possible, but in mission critical circumstances may be compressed to not less than twelve months between deployments.

United States Army Reserve Command and the National Guard Bureau will ensure timely by-name identification of rotators and timely alert and processing to meet the timelines established above.

This policy does not preclude AMEDD RC officers from volunteering to extend beyond the 90 days or for more frequent rotations. Such requests for extension will be encouraged to provide continuity and to minimize turbulence and replacement pool requirements.

Continued support to on-going operations may require periodic revisions to this policy. This policy will be reviewed annually to ascertain impacts on operational continuity and effect on subsequent recruiting and retention. Exceptions to this policy will not be made unless approved by the undersigned.

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